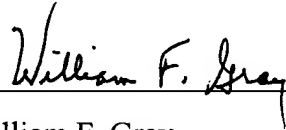


**Remarks**

The requested amendment is to perfect the priority claim.

When this application was originally filed, the transmittal form contained the claim to the priority of a provisional application which was created by a petition to convert the originally-filed regular application serial number 09/371,322 into a provisional application, but at that time, the serial number of the provisional application had not been assigned. It was provided to the applicants subsequently, and is now being inserted into the first sentence of the application to complete it.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "William F. Gray", positioned above a horizontal line.

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